


## INTIMATIONS.

THEATRE  ROYAL,  
CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

PATRON: HIS EXCELLENCY SIR GEO.  
F. BOWEN, G.C.M.G.,

ENORMOUS SUCCESS !!!  
ENORMOUS SUCCESS !!!  
OF THE  
MILIB MELVILLE OPERA

COMPANY,  
UNPREPARED IN THE ANNALS OF  
HONGKONG ENTERTAINMENTS.  
S A T U R D A Y ,  
the 5th September, 1855.  
AUDRAN'S OPERA OF  
" L A M A S C O T T E ."  
(Type (A Sheepskin) ..... Signer G. Vézard.  
and  
BETTINA (The Marquis) { Miss EMILIE  
MELVILLE.  
SUPPORTED BY THE FULL STRENGTH OF THE  
COMPANY.  
NEW SCENERY.

CONDUCTOR, SIOGOR VALENZA.

Plan now open at KELLY & WALSH, (LIMITED).

Dress Circle and Stalls	..... \$2.
Pit	..... \$1.

Doors open at 8.30. Commence at 9. ....

Hongkong, 4th September, 1885. [1589]

**HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.**

**THE ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS** for the purpose of Passing Accounts and Electing Officers for the coming Season, will be held at the Cricket Pavilion on **MONDAY NEXT**, the 7th inst., at 5.15 P.M. sharp.

**H. FOSS.**  
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 4th September, 1885. [1613]

**FOR SWATOW, SINGAPORE, AND**

BANGKOK.

THE SCOTTISH ORIENTAL STEAM-  
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Company's Steamer

"PHRA CHULA CHOM KLAO,"  
Captain H. Lightwood, will be despatched for  
the above Ports on SUNDAY the 6th inst.,  
at Nine A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
YUEN FAT HONG,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd September, 1885. [1611]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND FOCHOW  
via SHARP PEAK.

THE Company's Steamship

"NAMO".  
 Captain Westoby, will be despatched for the  
 above Ports on **SUNDAY** the 6th instant, at  
 NINE A.M.  
 For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,**  
 General Managers.  
 Hongkong, 4th September, 1885. [1612]

**W. BREWER** has just received  
 A Large Stock of Cheap Handy European  
 ACCOUNT BOOKS good paper and all rulings.

Swinnburne's New Poem.  
Gordon's Diary.  
Summer Number Illustrated.  
Summer Number Graphic—these are quite  
flat and the plate uninjured.  
Peels Lawn Tennis as a Game of Skill. —  
Text Book of Advanced Freemasonry.  
Very Handsome Photograph Albums.  
A Large Assortment of Birthday Sachets and  
Cards.  
Three New Metal Buck PIANOS, by Wagner,  
from \$200 each.

An immense Stock of Cheap Light Literature  
from 10 cents each.  
A Cheap Library of New Scientific Books—  
20 cents each.  
A Large Assortment of Ladies' and Gentlemen's Books and Shows.  
W. B. R. E. V. E. R. Queen's Road,  
1, UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL. [2]  
**SAINT RAPHAEL WINE COMPANY.**  
**VALENCE (D'ROME).**  
**THE** Undersigned have been appointed by  
the above Company Agents for the Sale  
of their Wine in Hongkong.  
This Wine, Sample of which can be seen on  
application, has a delicious flavour and is in-  
valuable as a tonic and restorative, and possesses  
real strength and body.  
**GUEDDES & Co.**  
Hongkong, 3rd September, 1885. [1690]  
**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF  
HONGKONG.**  
—PROBATE JURISDICTION.  
**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF TAM  
MO SUN (譚成申) alias TAM CHEW  
SAN (譚惟權), Deceased.**  
**NOTICE** is hereby given that the Honour-  
able the Chief Justice has, in Virtue of  
Section 3 of Ordinance No. 1 of 1870, made an  
order limiting the time to the 15th day of November,  
1885, as the time for Creditors to send in their  
CLAIMS against the Estate of TAM MO SUN  
(譚成申) alias TAM CHEW SAN (譚惟  
權), late of No. 13, Gough Street, (Victoria  
in the Colony of Hongkong, Trader, who died on  
the 10th day of July last, at Gough Street  
aforesaid, intestate, and Letters of Administration  
of whose personal Estate and Effects were

Probate jurisdiction, on the 23rd day of July last to YAU MI HO, the lawful Widow and relict of the said Deceased. Notice is hereby given that the said Claimant has presented in writing to the Undersigned prior to the said 25th day of November, 1885, or notice will not be taken.

All Persons indebted to the above Estate are requested to make immediate payment to the Undersigned.

Dated the 27th day of August, 1885.

SHARP, JOHNSON & STOKES,  
Solicitors for the said Administratrix,  
Supreme Court House.

NOTICE.

FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF THE CUSTOMERS, the Productions of the Chinese Straits Restaurant, formerly known as the "Gaiety Restaurant," can be procured by RETAIL, FOR CASH, at No. 3, Peel Street, at the Price as at the Restaurant; or Retail Orders may be delivered at the same price on applicants forwarding their monthly requirements in writing direct to the Registry at East Point.

JARDINE, RATHBON & Co.,  
General Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 24th July, 1885. [1378]



## NOTICE.

**A. S. WATSON & CO.**  
FAMILY AND DISPENSING  
CHEMISTS,  
By Appointment to His Excellency the GOVERNOR and His Royal Highness the DUKE OF EDINBURGH,  
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS,  
PERFORMERS,  
PATENT MEDICINE VENDORS,  
DRUGGISTS' SUPPLIERS,  
And  
BRATED WATER MAKERS,  
SHIPS' MEDICINE CHESTS REFITTED,  
PASSENGER SUPPLY SUPERVISOR.

NOTICE.—To avoid delay in the execution of Orders it is particularly requested that all business communications be addressed to the FIRM, A. S. WATSON & CO., or HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.  
Communications on Editorial matters should be addressed "The Editor," and those on business "The Manager," and not to individuals by name.  
Correspondents are requested to send their names and addresses with communications addressed to the Editor, not for publication, but as evidence of good faith.

All letters for publication should be written on one side of the paper only.  
Advertisements and Subscriptions which are not ordered for a fixed period will be continued until countermanded.  
Orders for extra copies of the Daily Press should be sent before 11 a.m. on the day of publication. After that hour the supply is limited.

## The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, SEPTEMBER 4th, 1896.

HOWEVER novel to the general public the newly developed Boston craze may be, the principles contained therein are sufficiently familiar to the student of science, and *quid novi* is all that we can say to this new piece of sensationalism. All such phenomena, including Mesmerism, Electro-Biology, Odylism, Table Turning, &c., are now well understood. Mesmer, the discoverer of animal magnetism, was born in Germany in the year 1734. He created immense sensation in Paris, and vast sums were offered to him for his secret. He professed to rely upon a mysterious curative power emanating from a diamond which he carried, but ultimately he effected his cures by the laying on of hands. Bacon's opinion of Astrology was that it should be reformed, not utterly swept away. A substratum of truth lies under all old sciences. "Truth lies in a well," says the old adage. There is no doubt that Mesmer effected many wonderful cures, but it is equally certain that no such mysterious emanative influence exists as that contended for by mesmerists. Then again? who seriously believes now in clairvoyance? We know the story of the bank-note for a thousand pounds, which lay for three years enclosed in a sealed envelope, ready to be presented to the first person who could tell what the envelope contained. Mesmer was acquainted with the practical working of many psychological principles which have but recently been explained to us.

The first step towards the solution of the difficulty was effected by BRAD, a surgeon. He discovered that a state of comatose passing into somnambulism can be induced in most persons. In this state the somnambulist is incapable of controlling his ideas by an exercise of the will, and yields himself to the suggestions of the operator. Precisely the same effects appear as in mesmerism. The somnambulist is presented with a glass of water, and is told that it is champagne. His face exhibits the greatest pleasure while drinking it. He is told that it is cold and he shudders, that it is raining, and he buttons his coat round him. Moreover BRAD and others have performed cures on subjects in this state of hypnotism quite as wonderful as any of those effected by MESMER. It became necessary then to have recourse to other means of explaining these phenomena than by the old hypothesis of a mysterious magnetic power binding together individuals of peculiar nervous temperament. Let us glance at what takes place in the case of the biological patient. The state, as we know, can be brought on by fixing a prolonged and intense stare upon any object. The mind gradually concentrates itself more and more upon this one object and the surrounding mountainous scene brings on a reverie or dream. It is while the patient is in this condition that the biological professor makes use of a principle thoroughly well known to students of psychology—the principle of suggestion. When the critical powers of the mind are quiescent, as in reveries and in dreams, the mind seizes upon any thought suggested to it. In dreams, nothing surprises us, however absurd. These are cases of withdrawn voluntary power. In its extreme form we see this principle at work in the case of lunatics. Something or other suggests to the Bedlamite that he is a crowned monarch, and he thereupon assumes an air of dignity befitting his exalted rank, and exacts homage from his keepers.

It is thus that when the directing power of the will is withdrawn the capability of correcting the most illusory ideas by an appeal to common sense is gone. Thus, when the mesmerized subject is told imperatively that the chair upon which he is seated is becoming hotter by every moment he moves about uneasily and finally springs to his feet with the perspiration rolling down his face. It does not meet the eye by saying that this is the effect of imagination unless we define what are the physiological accompaniments of those fixed ideas which sometimes seize upon the mind. In the case of the heat is a real sensation. Professor BAIN has satisfactorily proved that when a past sensation is recalled by the mind the original flow of nerve filament is revived with an energy dependent upon the power of the imagination and the intensity of the former suggestion. Thus in delicate constitutions the thought of sea-sickness has been known to bring on a return of that malady. Thus also, when sometimes startled by the incongruity of a friend's laugh, we find that his mind has been dwelling upon some former ludicrous adventure. And in dreams we experience pain and pleasure in the most lively way. Visual, auditory, gustative, ol-

factory perceptions are excited in the mind not merely by actual impression, but by ideas of them.

It has been said that even in our most coherent dreams there is a complete suspension or considerable retardation of the highest operations of judgment and thought. This remark applies still more closely to the state of mesmerism and its analogous form of hypnotism. In these the suggested thought instantly becomes a *fixed idea* which dominates over the mind, powerful for good or for evil. A curious story is told of a supposed child-slayer in Scotland. The Prosecutor-Fiscal was in attendance when the coffin was disinterred, but when they proceeded to break open the lid, he left abruptly, overpowered, as he declared, by the smell from the decayed body. Yet the coffin was found to be empty! It is while marking the influence of *fixed ideas* upon the mind that we shall arrive at an explanation of the cures effected during the mesmerism or biologic sleep.

Medical men know well what the evil effect of a fixed presentiment is in the case of the sick. It exercises upon the body all the injurious effects which result to the mind from the permanent abode there of some ghastly recollection. Thus the poor negro, who believes himself under the withering incantations of the Obeah man pines away and dies. On the other hand much is done when the patient has learnt to rely implicitly upon the powers of the physician. Many well supported cases of curing King's Evil by the touch of the royal hands have been handed down to us. These were the ages of faith. WILLIAM III. met his fate resolutely against the practice, and the Jacobites did not fail to discover in this self-consciousness of the usurper. In the abnormal states of which we are treating the most conspicuous feature is the absolute surrender of the mind to outward suggestions. The demands of the agent admit of no refusal. One of Mr. BRAD's hypnotized patients, a man of small physique, exhibited a great increase of physical power when commanded to lift heavy weights. We can easily see how favourable this condition is to the physician, and we shall be more inclined to attribute the striking cures effected upon mesmerized and biologicized subjects to the curative influence of an absolute faith in the doctor's statements and operations than to any mysterious fluid emanating from diamond or ball of zinc.

The French gunboat *Viper*, Captain Peyre, arrived here yesterday morning from Saigon.

The German gunboat *Nautilus*, Captain Roeder, left Chongking on the 20th ultimo for Nagasaki.

The Agents (Messrs. Siemens & Co.) inform us that the D. R. steamer *Polykarpus*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on Wednesday afternoon.

The *N. O. Daily News* has the following announcement in its issue of the 29th ult.—"We have received intelligence from the North to the effect that an armistice has been concluded between Great Britain, China, and Japan for the purpose of Korea against Russia." This is a repetition of an old report, and our Shanghai contemporary offers no evidence of its veracity. We believe it to be without any foundation in fact.

The aquatic sports commenced at four to-day. Entries are not so large as last year, and sport all round will probably be hardly so good. The contest of the mile, the one that will probably be won by H. ARTHUR, if times at trials are any criterion, and Glass will probably be his strongest opponent. G. Grimble is undoubtedly unable to compete from sickness. There will probably be no contest for the mile round the red buoy, but this is a handicap race on the day, it is as trying to spot a winner. The same may be said of the other handicaps.

In the *Peking Gazette* of the 14th July, a joint memorial by the Viceroy of the North Kwang, the Superintendent of Customs at Canton, and the Governor of Kwangtung, reporting the despatch to Peking of the 183,000 old as an instalment of the various subsidies to the capital which are charged upon the Canton Customs. The memorial is full of charges upon the establishment for the present year is given by the Memorials.

General Metropolitan subsidy. 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MAILS EXPECTED.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

**STRAIMERS EXPECTED.**  
The steamer *Gratitude* left Singapore on the 1st August, and may be looked for here on or at the 4th inst.  
The Ocean Steam-ship Company's steamer *Gratitude* left Singapore on the 1st, and is due on the 7th instant.  
The Union Line steamer *A Monrovia* left Singapore on the 2nd, and may be expected to re-appear on or about the 8th instant.  
The D. D. steamer *Polyhymnia* left Singapore on the afternoon of the 2nd, and is due on or about the 9th instant.

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**POST-OFFICE NOTICES.**

Attention is invited to the following particulars:-  
Deliveries of

LOCAL DELIVERY.—No delivery is attempted on cargo Ship, at the Peak, Koorood, Aberdeen, nor at any private house even though the goods are addressed to the name of the owner, or the name of the person at which delivery can be effected (see note, p. 159).

As the above Regulation is not new, but has been the invariable rule of the Post Office for many years, it is not necessary to have been inserted to secure its being generally understood. It is, however, if possible, any further appointment in the matter, it will appear immediately on the next Issue issued twice over from the *Daily Press* Office.

When Correspondence has been mis-sent or mis-directed (both of which are liable to happen), the Post Office will not be responsible for it on the cover. Sent to —, or Received by —, or as the case may be, and forward it to the nearest or other writing whither, to the Postmaster General, if the goods are on the ground of misdirection, or of misplacement.

The authorised List of Mails issued in connection with this paper is the only published one each day in our Extra, which is always posted to a much later hour than that given above.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE.

For Surator and Amor.—For Broadacre, the 4th inst. at 8.30 A.M.

For Melbourne.—For Egeria, to-day, the 4th inst. at 11.30 A.M.

For Feeshoo, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Melbourne, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide, Melbourne, Fremantle, to-morrow, the 5th inst. at 2.30 P.M.

For Shanghai.—For Canton, to-morrow, the 5th inst. at 3.30 P.M.

For Saigon.—For Asia, to-morrow, the 5th inst. at 4.30 P.M.

For Hongkong.—For Eliza, to-morrow, the 5th inst. at 5.30 P.M.

at 5.00 p.m.  
 for Malacca and Hongkong.—Per *Expedit*, on  
 Wednesday, the 8th inst., at 3.00 p.m.  
 for Manila.—Per *Exile*, on Monday, the 7th  
 inst., at 4.30 p.m.  
 for Straits Settlements.—Per *Novushera*, on  
 Saturday, the 8th inst., at 3.50 p.m.  
 for Straits and Teluk Anson.—Per *Revaliers*, on  
 Wednesday, the 9th inst., at 2.30 p.m.  
 for Straits and Calcutta.—Per *A. Apar*, on  
 Wednesday, the 9th inst., at 2.30 p.m.  
 for Kobe and Yokohama.—Per *Tellera*, on  
 Saturday, the 12th inst., at 2.30 p.m.  
 for Simabara and Kudat.—Per *Forwuerste*, on  
 Wednesday, the 14th inst., at 4.30 p.m.  
 for Straits and Calcutta.—Per *Tainang*, on  
 Saturday, the 16th inst., at 2.30 p.m.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES  
 PACKET.  
 The United States Mail Packet *Oceanic* will  
 be dispatched on TUESDAY, the 5th Septem-  
 ber, at 12 noon, for SAN FRANCISCO, the

**MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.**  
The British Contract Packet *Kendal* will be sent on FRIDAY, the 11th. September, with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe and countries beyond, via *Brindisi*; to Strait Settlements, Batavia, Barmah, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar. The usual hours will be observed in closing Mails, &c.  
The Post Office declines all responsibility for registered Letters containing Jewellery, &c., where no declaration has been registered, and makes no enquiries into alleged losses of letters.

**MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.**  
The French Contract Packet *Tamgout* will be despatched on **THURSDAY** the 17th inst. for the Mails to the United Kingdom, Europe, places beyond, viz: Naples; to Saigon, Siam Settlements, Batavia, Borneo, Ceylon, &c. (viz Malacca), the Australasian Colonies, Natal and the Cape, Egypt, Malta, and Australia.  
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**THE KOWLOON FERRY.**

STRAIN LAUNCH  
"MORNING STAR"  
Runs Daily as a Ferry Boat between PUDDER'S  
WHARF and TATH-TA-TOAT at the following  
times. This Time Table will take effect from  
the 15th of 1885.

WEEK DAYS.		SUNDAYS.	
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35	4.00	4.30	4.30	
40	4.15	4.45	4.45	
45	5.00	5.30	5.10	
50	5.15	5.45	5.15	
55	6.00	6.35	6.00	
60	6.15	6.50	6.15	
65	7.00	7.15	7.00	

There will be no Lunch on Monday and Tuesday, on account of cooling.

There will be no Dinner on Monday and Tuesday, as the staff will be strictly adhered to except under unavoidable circumstances. In case of stress of weather, due notice will be given of any stoppages.

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